

Memorandum

TO : Director of Training

DATE: 2 April 1971

FROM : Chief, Career Training Program

SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report

1. On 29 March Chief, CTP met with representatives from DDP/ Operational Services and the Office of Personnel to discuss DDP language requirements for Career Trainees and other young professional officers. Chief, CTP and the Deputy Director of Personnel for Recruitment and Placement hopefully argued convincingly that minimum foreign language proficiency requirements should not be imposed as a condition for the recruitment of young professionals destined for the Clandestine Service. Emphasized was the fact that considerable attention is already being given to language qualifications and to set arbitrary minimum standards for speaking proficiency would only complicate matters and result in the loss of some otherwise outstanding candidates. Chief, CTP believes that adequate language policies for Career Trainees already exist in the form of a DDP policy directive (DDP 7-4745) dated 11 October 1967, wherein Career Trainees are required to achieve a speaking proficiency in a foreign language not later than during their first tours abroad.

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2. The Office of Current Intelligence has requested that Career Trainee [REDACTED] remain on his current assignment after the regular interim period ends in April, rather than take the IPC. OCI has a serious personnel shortage problem in the Latin American area where [REDACTED] has been assigned. So, Chief, CTP agreed to this arrangement subject to [REDACTED] completion of the IPC at some later date before his SJ service designation is changed.

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3. Messrs. [REDACTED] were at [REDACTED] this week for routine consultations with Career Trainees in the OFC.

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